



Tennessee Teaching Scholars Program

Are you pursuing a career in the teaching field? Let us help you.

TO BE **ELIGIBLE** FOR THIS \$5,000 SCHOLARSHIP, A STUDENT MUST:



- Be a Tennessee resident and a U.S. Citizen
- Be a junior, senior, or post-baccalaureate candidate
- Be enrolled full-time as an undergraduate student or at least half-time as a graduate student enrolled in a teacher education program
- Achieve at least a 2.75 cumulative grade point average
- Not be a licensed teacher
- Not be employed or previously employed in a teaching position
- Complete an online application located on the TSAC Student Financial Aid Portal @ <http://www.tn.gov/collegepays/article/tsac-student-portal>
- Submit a letter of recommendation from an official of a state-approved teacher education program, attesting to the student's commitment to teaching and potential for success as a teacher, and
- Submit official copies of all college or university transcripts, and
- Submit documentation to verify the standardized test scores used for admission to the teacher education program

TO **APPLY**
A STUDENT MUST:

**TSAC must receive completed applications
by April 15 for consideration.**

Online applications for the Tennessee Teaching Scholars Program will be available January 1 on the TSAC Financial Aid Portal.

SERVICE OBLIGATION: Students selected for the program are required to sign a promissory note and in doing so incur an obligation to teach PreK-12 in a Tennessee public school one year for each year an award is received. Recipients must be employed as a full-time teacher to fulfill the service obligation associated with the program. Recipients, who do not meet this obligation, must repay the award to the Tennessee Student Assistance Corporation (TSAC) at 9% interest which begins accruing from the date of withdrawal from the teacher education program or September 1 following graduation.



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For more information contact TSAC at 1-800-342-1663, or at www.tn.gov/collegepays